



## **Regional Service Council Minutes Region # 1**

**Meeting Date:** March 27, 2007

**Meeting Location:** Lake County Juvenile Justice Center  
3000 West 93<sup>rd</sup> Avenue  
Crown Point Indiana 46307

**Council Members Present:** Richard Ban, Jane Bisbee, Melanie Cox, Rita Daniels, Alfred Fisher, Deborah Harris, Cynthia Kambesis, Jeffrey Miller, Henry Mosley, John Sedia, Lavetta Wade, Dianne Weiss Bradley, Lynda Wheeler

**Council Members Absent:** Glenn Commons, Charlotte Pellar and Elizabeth Tegarden

<b>Meeting Minutes</b>
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Meeting called to order at 3:36 pm

The February Regional Service Council Meeting minutes were reviewed and approved as read.

First order of business was to approve the Strategic Action Prevention Plan for 2007. This plan will be the basis for expenditures from the Child Welfare Services account which has \$800,000 available for prevention services. At the January meeting the findings of the committee were shared with the council. From that a plan was developed to identify gaps in services for the plan. They were incorporated into the plan and copy was provided to all council members for their review first via e-mail and then a hard copy was given to members at the meeting.

A motion was made to accept the prevention plan and seconded. A call for the vote by the council was requested and the Strategic Action Prevention Plan for 2007 was approved. Discussion was also held regarding accepting proposals for prevention services based on the plan. The availability of funds will be made public via the newspaper as well as via email communication with members of the

Community Partners Coalition. Proposals will be accepted and reviewed by the RSC each month until the funds are exhausted.

In new business, the council had a request from Tree of Life to withdraw their proposal for Independent Living Services. The proposal was sent to Region 1-Lake County during the Title IV-B Requests for Proposal period. A motion was made to approve the withdrawal, seconded, and approved by Council members.

The final agenda item was a request to review a proposal for Independent Living services submitted by Lee Cameron of the Community Awareness Initiative. While there are already contracts for Independent Living services, the providers cannot meet the volume in Lake and therefore has been identified as a gap in service by the Council. A motion was made, seconded, and approved by the Council that the proposal be accepted for review.

Nothing further on the agenda, a motion was made, seconded, and approved by council members to adjourn the meeting.

Meeting adjourned at 4:00 pm.